

# House File 782 - Introduced

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BY COMMITTEE ON REBUILD IOWA  
AND DISASTER RECOVERY

(SUCCESSOR TO HSB 271)

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## A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to natural disaster recovery, including by  
2 supporting projects and programs relating to persons and  
3 property affected by natural disaster or to prevent or  
4 mitigate the effects of a future natural disaster; providing  
5 for the compromise or abatement of penalties, interest, fees,  
6 and costs related to delinquent property taxes on real  
7 property located within a disaster area; providing  
8 appropriations; and including effective date and retroactive  
9 applicability date provisions.  
10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:  
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## DIVISION I

### REBUILD IOWA FUND AND APPROPRIATIONS

#### Section 1. NEW SECTION. 8.57D REBUILD IOWA FUND.

1 4 1. A rebuild Iowa fund is created under the authority of  
1 5 the department of public defense for use by the homeland  
1 6 security and emergency management division. The fund shall  
1 7 consist of appropriations made to the fund and transfers of  
1 8 interest, earnings, and moneys from other funds as provided by  
1 9 law. The fund shall be separate from the general fund of the  
1 10 state and the balance in the fund shall not be considered part  
1 11 of the balance of the general fund of the state. However, the  
1 12 fund shall be considered a special account for the purposes of  
1 13 section 8.53, relating to generally accepted accounting  
1 14 principles.

1 15 2. Notwithstanding section 12C.7, subsection 2, interest  
1 16 or earnings on moneys in the rebuild Iowa fund shall be  
1 17 credited to the fund.

1 18 3. Moneys in the fund in a fiscal year shall be used as  
1 19 appropriated by the general assembly for purposes of  
1 20 supporting projects relating to persons and property affected  
1 21 by natural disaster or to prevent or mitigate the effects of a  
1 22 future natural disaster.

1 23 4. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys credited to the  
1 24 fund that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of a  
1 25 fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
1 26 the purposes designated in this section until the close of the  
1 27 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012.

1 28 5. Any unencumbered or unobligated moneys remaining at the  
1 29 close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012, shall be  
1 30 credited to the cash reserve fund as created in section 8.56.  
1 31 However, if the maximum balance of the cash reserve fund has  
1 32 been reached, any remaining unencumbered or unobligated moneys  
1 33 from the rebuild Iowa fund shall be credited to Iowa economic  
1 34 emergency fund created in section 8.55.

1 35 6. This section is repealed January 1, 2014.

#### Sec. 2. IOWA ECONOMIC EMERGENCY FUND.

2 1 1. There is appropriated from the Iowa economic emergency  
2 2 fund created in section 8.55 to the rebuild Iowa fund created  
2 3 in section 8.57D for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009,  
2 4 and ending June 30, 2010, notwithstanding the fiscal year  
2 5 restriction contained in section 8.55, subsection 3, paragraph  
2 6 "a", the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary:  
2 7 ..... \$ 60,000,000

2 8 .....  
2 9 2. The appropriation made in this section is declared to  
2 10 be made for emergency expenditures as required in section

2 11 8.55, subsection 3, paragraph "a".  
2 12 Sec. 3. CASH RESERVE FUND.  
2 13 1. Notwithstanding the fiscal year restriction contained  
2 14 in section 8.56, subsection 3, and subject matter restriction  
2 15 contained in section 8.56, subsection 4, paragraph "a", there  
2 16 is appropriated from the cash reserve fund to the rebuild Iowa  
2 17 fund created in section 8.57D for the fiscal year beginning  
2 18 July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the following amount,  
2 19 or so much thereof as is necessary:  
2 20 ..... \$ 40,000,000  
2 21 2. The appropriation made in this section is declared to  
2 22 be made for nonrecurring emergency expenditures as required in  
2 23 section 8.56, subsections 3 and 4.  
2 24 3. Notwithstanding section 8.57, subsection 1, paragraph  
2 25 "a", subparagraph (1), an appropriation shall not be made for  
2 26 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, from the general fund  
2 27 of the state to the cash reserve fund because of the  
2 28 appropriation made in subsection 1 of this section.  
2 29 DIVISION II  
2 30 EXPENDITURES FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE INFRASTRUCTURE  
2 31 Sec. 4. FLOOD AVERSION PROJECTS. There is appropriated  
2 32 from the rebuild Iowa fund created in section 8.57D to the  
2 33 department of public defense for the homeland security and  
2 34 emergency management division for the fiscal year beginning  
2 35 July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the following amount,  
3 1 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
3 2 purposes designated:  
3 3 For providing grants to cities and counties for flood  
3 4 aversion projects:  
3 5 ..... \$ 20,000,000  
3 6 1. a. The division shall award moneys appropriated  
3 7 pursuant to this section to pay for costs related to the  
3 8 construction, reconstruction, repair, or improvement of public  
3 9 or private infrastructure affected by natural disaster or to  
3 10 prevent or mitigate the effects of a future natural disaster,  
3 11 located in those counties subject to the presidential disaster  
3 12 declaration DR=1763=IA occurring after May 24, 2008, and  
3 13 before August 14, 2008.  
3 14 b. The infrastructure projects supported by the grants  
3 15 provided in this section shall include but are not limited to  
3 16 shovel-ready dirt movement, berms, levees, floodgates, and  
3 17 flood walls. The grants may be used to pay for engineering  
3 18 services or certification costs associated with a project.  
3 19 2. The division shall award a grant provided in this  
3 20 section to a city or county on a cost-share basis with the  
3 21 division contributing seventy percent of the project's cost.  
3 22 A city or county shall not use moneys appropriated by the  
3 23 state in order to satisfy its thirty percent cost-share  
3 24 contribution.  
3 25 3. A city or county shall apply to the division to be  
3 26 awarded a grant in a manner and according to procedures  
3 27 required by the division. When approving the application, the  
3 28 division may approve all or part of the requested grant.  
3 29 4. A city or county shall not be awarded a grant under  
3 30 this section, if the county or city has received a grant for  
3 31 the same project under a different section of this Act, unless  
3 32 moneys are available under this section to provide grants for  
3 33 all qualified projects.  
3 34 5. The general assembly intends that moneys appropriated  
3 35 to the division under this section support as many qualified  
4 1 projects as possible.  
4 2 6. The division may cooperate with interested federal,  
4 3 state, and local agencies or private organizations in  
4 4 administering a project, including but not limited to the  
4 5 department of natural resources and the department of  
4 6 agriculture and land stewardship.  
4 7 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
4 8 this section to the department of public defense for the  
4 9 homeland security and emergency management division that  
4 10 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal  
4 11 year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
4 12 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
4 13 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.  
4 14 Sec. 5. STORM WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM PROJECTS. There is  
4 15 appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund created in section  
4 16 8.57D to the department of public defense for the homeland  
4 17 security and emergency management division for the fiscal year  
4 18 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the  
4 19 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
4 20 used for the purposes designated:  
4 21 For providing grants to cities and counties for storm water

4 22 drainage system projects:  
4 23 ..... \$ 14,000,000  
4 24 1. a. The division shall use the moneys appropriated  
4 25 pursuant to this section to support the installation of  
4 26 equipment or the construction of facilities associated with a  
4 27 storm water drainage system, affected by natural disaster or  
4 28 to prevent or mitigate the effects of a future natural  
4 29 disaster, in those counties subject to the presidential  
4 30 disaster declaration DR=1763=IA occurring after May 24, 2008,  
4 31 and before August 14, 2008.  
4 32 b. The infrastructure projects supported by the grants  
4 33 provided in this section shall include but are not limited to  
4 34 pumping stations or lift stations, collection or retention  
4 35 facilities, and other property used in the collection,  
5 1 conveyance, treatment, and disposal of storm water. The  
5 2 grants may be used to support the payment of engineering  
5 3 services or certification costs associated with a project.  
5 4 2. The division shall award a grant provided in this  
5 5 section to a city on a cost=share basis with the division  
5 6 contributing seventy percent of the project's cost. A city or  
5 7 county shall not use moneys appropriated by the state in order  
5 8 to satisfy its thirty percent cost=share contribution.  
5 9 3. A city or county shall apply to the division to be  
5 10 awarded a grant in a manner and according to procedures  
5 11 required by the division. When approving the application, the  
5 12 division may approve all or part of the requested grant.  
5 13 4. A city or county shall not be awarded a grant under  
5 14 this section, if the county or city has received a grant for  
5 15 the same project under a different section of this Act, unless  
5 16 moneys are available under this section to provide grants for  
5 17 all qualified projects.  
5 18 5. The general assembly intends that moneys appropriated  
5 19 to the division under this section support as many qualified  
5 20 projects as possible.  
5 21 6. The division may cooperate with interested federal,  
5 22 state, and local agencies or private organizations in  
5 23 administering a project, including but not limited to the  
5 24 department of natural resources.  
5 25 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
5 26 this section to the department of public defense for the  
5 27 homeland security and emergency management division that  
5 28 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal  
5 29 year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
5 30 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
5 31 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.  
5 32 Sec. 6. CULTURAL AND HISTORICAL PROJECTS. There is  
5 33 appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund created in section  
5 34 8.57D to the department of public defense for the homeland  
5 35 security and emergency management division for the fiscal year  
6 1 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the  
6 2 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
6 3 used for the purposes designated:  
6 4 For providing grants to counties and cities for cultural  
6 5 and historical projects:  
6 6 ..... \$ 15,000,000  
6 7 1. a. The division shall award moneys appropriated  
6 8 pursuant to this section to pay for costs related to the  
6 9 construction, reconstruction, repair, or improvement of  
6 10 structures or facilities or to repair, restore, or replace  
6 11 property of cultural or historical significance, affected by  
6 12 natural disaster or to prevent or mitigate the effects of a  
6 13 future natural disaster, in those counties subject to the  
6 14 presidential disaster declaration DR=1763=IA occurring after  
6 15 May 24, 2008, and before August 14, 2008.  
6 16 b. The infrastructure projects supported by the grants  
6 17 provided in this section includes real property and personal  
6 18 property that is part of a public place including but not  
6 19 limited to a public place dedicated in whole or in part as an  
6 20 aquarium; archive; art gallery; cemetery, civic center, or  
6 21 concert hall; historic building, structure, or site; or  
6 22 library, monument, museum, theatre, or zoo.  
6 23 2. The division shall award a grant provided in this  
6 24 section to a county or city on a cost=share basis with the  
6 25 division contributing seventy percent of the project's cost.  
6 26 A city or county shall not use moneys appropriated by the  
6 27 state in order to satisfy its thirty percent cost=share  
6 28 contribution.  
6 29 3. A city or county shall apply to the division to be  
6 30 awarded a grant in a manner and according to procedures  
6 31 required by the division. When approving the application, the  
6 32 division may approve all or part of the requested grant.

6 33 4. A city or county shall not be awarded a grant under  
6 34 this section, if the county or city has received a grant for  
6 35 the same project under a different section of this Act, unless  
7 1 moneys are available under this section to provide grants for  
7 2 all qualified projects.

7 3 5. The general assembly intends that moneys appropriated  
7 4 to the division under this section support as many qualified  
7 5 projects as possible.

7 6 6. The division may cooperate with interested federal,  
7 7 state, and local agencies or private organizations in  
7 8 administering a project, including but not limited to the  
7 9 department of cultural affairs.

7 10 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
7 11 this section to the department of public defense for the  
7 12 homeland security and emergency management division that  
7 13 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal  
7 14 year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
7 15 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
7 16 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.

7 17 Sec. 7. SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY ACQUISITION  
7 18 PROJECTS. There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund  
7 19 created in section 8.57D to the department of public defense  
7 20 for the homeland security and emergency management division  
7 21 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June  
7 22 30, 2010, the following amount, or so much thereof as is  
7 23 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:  
7 24 For providing grants to counties and cities for  
7 25 single-family residential property acquisition:  
7 26 ..... \$ 12,500,000

7 27 1. a. The division shall award moneys appropriated  
7 28 pursuant to this section to pay for costs of acquiring  
7 29 single-family residential property that has been affected by  
7 30 natural disaster, in those counties subject to the  
7 31 presidential disaster declaration DR=1763=IA occurring after  
7 32 May 24, 2008, and before August 14, 2008.

7 33 b. The division may award a part of the grant for the  
7 34 demolition and removal of structures or debris, and for the  
7 35 preparation of the acquired property for a new use.

8 1 c. The division shall not award a grant to a county or  
8 2 city for purposes of acquiring property, if the county or city  
8 3 has received moneys from the federal government for the  
8 4 acquisition of the same property.

8 5 2. The division shall award a grant provided in this  
8 6 section to a county or city on a cost-share basis with the  
8 7 division contributing seventy percent of the project's cost.  
8 8 A city or county shall not use moneys appropriated by the  
8 9 state in order to satisfy its thirty percent cost-share  
8 10 contribution.

8 11 3. A city or county shall apply to the division to be  
8 12 awarded a grant in a manner and according to procedures  
8 13 required by the division. When approving the application, the  
8 14 division may approve all or part of the requested grant.

8 15 4. A city or county shall not be awarded a grant under  
8 16 this section, if the county or city has received a grant for  
8 17 the same project under a different section of this Act, unless  
8 18 moneys are available under this section to provide grants for  
8 19 all qualified projects.

8 20 5. The general assembly intends that moneys appropriated  
8 21 to the division under this section support as many qualified  
8 22 projects as possible.

8 23 6. The division may cooperate with interested federal,  
8 24 state, and local agencies or private organizations in  
8 25 administering a project, including but not limited to the Iowa  
8 26 finance authority, the department of natural resources, and  
8 27 county conservation boards.

8 28 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
8 29 this section to the department of public defense for the  
8 30 homeland security and emergency management division that  
8 31 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal  
8 32 year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
8 33 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
8 34 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.

8 35 Sec. 8. PARKS, GREEN SPACES, AND RECREATIONAL AREAS  
9 1 PROJECTS. There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund  
9 2 created in section 8.57D to the department of public defense  
9 3 for the homeland security and emergency management division  
9 4 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June  
9 5 30, 2010, the following amount, or so much thereof as is  
9 6 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:  
9 7 For providing grants to counties and cities for parks,  
9 8 green spaces, and recreational areas projects:

9 9 ..... \$ 5,000,000  
9 10 1. The division shall award moneys appropriated pursuant  
9 11 to this section to pay for costs related to the construction,  
9 12 reconstruction, repair, or improvement of structures,  
9 13 equipment, or facilities, or to repair or restore or replace  
9 14 property associated with parks, green spaces, and recreational  
9 15 areas that have been affected by natural disaster or to  
9 16 prevent or mitigate the effects of a future natural disaster,  
9 17 in those counties subject to the presidential disaster  
9 18 declaration DR=1763=IA occurring after May 24, 2008, and  
9 19 before August 14, 2008.  
9 20 2. The division shall award a grant provided in this  
9 21 section to a county or city on a cost=share basis with the  
9 22 division contributing seventy percent of the project's cost.  
9 23 A city or county shall not use moneys appropriated by the  
9 24 state in order to satisfy its thirty percent cost=share  
9 25 contribution.  
9 26 3. A city or county shall apply to the division to be  
9 27 awarded a grant in a manner and according to procedures  
9 28 required by the division. When approving the application, the  
9 29 division may approve all or part of the requested grant.  
9 30 4. A city or county shall not be awarded a grant under  
9 31 this section, if the county or city has received a grant for  
9 32 the same project under a different section of this Act, unless  
9 33 moneys are available under this section to provide grants for  
9 34 all qualified projects.  
9 35 5. The general assembly intends that moneys appropriated  
10 1 to the division under this section support as many qualified  
10 2 projects as possible.  
10 3 6. The division may cooperate with interested federal,  
10 4 state, and local agencies or private organizations in  
10 5 administering a project, including but not limited to the  
10 6 department of natural resources and county conservation  
10 7 boards.  
10 8 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
10 9 this section to the department of public defense for the  
10 10 homeland security and emergency management division that  
10 11 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal  
10 12 year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
10 13 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
10 14 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.  
10 15 Sec. 9. DAY CARE RELOCATION PROJECTS. There is  
10 16 appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund created in section  
10 17 8.57D to the department of public defense for the homeland  
10 18 security and emergency management division for the fiscal year  
10 19 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the  
10 20 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
10 21 used for the purposes designated:  
10 22 For providing grants to counties and cities for day care  
10 23 relocation projects:  
10 24 ..... \$ 5,000,000  
10 25 1. The division shall award moneys appropriated pursuant  
10 26 to this section to pay for costs associated with relocating  
10 27 child care facilities or child care homes as provided in  
10 28 chapter 237A due to a natural disaster in those counties  
10 29 subject to the presidential disaster declaration DR=1763=IA  
10 30 occurring after May 24, 2008, and before August 14, 2008.  
10 31 2. The division shall award a grant provided in this  
10 32 section to a county or city on a cost=share basis with the  
10 33 division contributing seventy percent of the project's cost.  
10 34 A city or county shall not use moneys appropriated by the  
10 35 state in order to satisfy its thirty percent cost=share  
11 1 contribution.  
11 2 3. A city or county shall apply to the division to be  
11 3 awarded a grant in a manner and according to procedures  
11 4 required by the division. When approving the application, the  
11 5 division may approve all or part of the requested grant.  
11 6 4. A city or county shall not be awarded a grant under  
11 7 this section, if the county or city has received a grant for  
11 8 the same project under a different section of this Act, unless  
11 9 moneys are available under this section to provide grants for  
11 10 all qualified projects.  
11 11 5. The general assembly intends that moneys appropriated  
11 12 to the division under this section support as many qualified  
11 13 projects as possible.  
11 14 6. The division may cooperate with interested federal,  
11 15 state, and local agencies or private organizations in  
11 16 administering a project, including but not limited to the  
11 17 department of human services and the department of inspections  
11 18 and appeals.  
11 19 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in

11 20 this section to the department of public defense for the  
11 21 homeland security and emergency management division that  
11 22 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal  
11 23 year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
11 24 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
11 25 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.

11 26 Sec. 10. NONPROFIT ENTITIES RESTORATION OR RELOCATION  
11 27 PROJECTS. There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund  
11 28 created in section 8.57D to the department of public defense  
11 29 for the homeland security and emergency management division  
11 30 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June  
11 31 30, 2010, the following amount, or so much thereof as is  
11 32 necessary, to be used for the purposes designated:

11 33 For providing grants to counties and cities for nonprofit  
11 34 entities' restoration or relocation projects:

11 35 ..... \$ 5,000,000

12 1 1. a. The division shall award moneys appropriated  
12 2 pursuant to this section to pay for costs related to the  
12 3 construction, reconstruction, repair, or improvement of real  
12 4 property owned or leased by a nonprofit entity that is  
12 5 affected by natural disaster or to prevent or mitigate the  
12 6 effects of a future natural disaster, in those counties  
12 7 subject to the presidential disaster declaration DR=1763=IA  
12 8 occurring after May 24, 2008, and before August 14, 2008.

12 9 b. The division shall award moneys appropriated pursuant  
12 10 to this section to pay for costs related to the relocation of  
12 11 nonprofit entities forced to move because they were affected  
12 12 by the natural disaster in those counties subject to the  
12 13 presidential disaster declaration described in paragraph "a".

12 14 2. In order to be awarded moneys under this section, the  
12 15 nonprofit entity must be exempt from federal income taxation  
12 16 pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code and  
12 17 organized to achieve a benevolent, educational, philanthropic,  
12 18 humane, scientific, patriotic, social welfare or advocacy,  
12 19 public health, environmental, conservation, civic, or other  
12 20 charitable objective.

12 21 3. The division shall award a grant provided in this  
12 22 section to a city or county on a cost=share basis with the  
12 23 division contributing seventy percent of the project's cost.  
12 24 A city or county shall not use moneys appropriated by the  
12 25 state in order to satisfy its thirty percent cost=share  
12 26 contribution.

12 27 4. A city or county shall apply to the division to be  
12 28 awarded a grant in a manner and according to procedures  
12 29 required by the division. When approving the application, the  
12 30 division may approve all or part of the requested grant.

12 31 5. A city or county shall not be awarded a grant under  
12 32 this section, if the county or city has received a grant for  
12 33 the same project under a different section of this Act, unless  
12 34 moneys are available under this section to provide grants for  
12 35 all qualified projects.

13 1 6. The general assembly intends that moneys appropriated  
13 2 to the division under this section support as many qualified  
13 3 projects as possible.

13 4 7. The division may cooperate with interested federal,  
13 5 state, and local agencies or private organizations in  
13 6 administering a project.

13 7 8. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
13 8 this section to the department of public defense for the  
13 9 homeland security and emergency management division that  
13 10 remain unencumbered or unobligated at the close of the fiscal  
13 11 year shall not revert but shall remain available for  
13 12 expenditure for the purposes designated until the close of the  
13 13 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2011.

13 14 Sec. 11. HUMAN RESOURCES TELEPHONE HELPLINE PROJECT.  
13 15 There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund created in  
13 16 section 8.57D to the department of public defense for the  
13 17 homeland security and emergency management division for the  
13 18 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010,  
13 19 the following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to  
13 20 be used for the purposes designated:

13 21 For providing a grant to a human resources assistance  
13 22 directory project:

13 23 ..... \$ 250,000

13 24 The division shall award moneys appropriated pursuant to  
13 25 this section to support the statewide improvement of a free  
13 26 and confidential telephone hotline available twenty=four hours  
13 27 a day, seven days a week, that provides information or refers  
13 28 callers to appropriate private or government entities that  
13 29 provide assistance relating to families, housing, food,  
13 30 health, legal advice, child and senior services, or volunteer

13 31 opportunities.

13 32  
13 33 DIVISION III  
13 34 EXPENDITURES FOR LONG-TERM SOIL  
13 35 AND WATER MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

14 1 Sec. 12. STUDY OF THE IMPACTS OF AGRICULTURAL LAND  
14 2 MANAGEMENT ON IOWA HYDROLOGY. There is appropriated from the  
14 3 rebuild Iowa fund created in section 8.57D to the department  
14 4 of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal period  
14 5 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the  
14 6 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
14 7 used for the purposes designated:

14 8 For purposes of establishing a research project to study  
14 9 the impact of agricultural land management on Iowa's  
14 10 hydrology, including salaries, support, maintenance, and  
14 11 miscellaneous purposes:

14 12 ..... \$ 795,500

14 13 1. The department may use a combination of new and  
14 14 existing sites to evaluate all of the following:

14 15 a. The use of hydrologic modeling tools to evaluate how  
14 16 watersheds could be designed or redesigned to reduce the  
14 17 downstream hydrologic footprint and water quality impacts of  
14 18 Iowa agriculture under a range of precipitation patterns,  
14 19 including but not limited to extreme precipitation events, and  
14 20 under a range of extreme precipitation event frequencies.

14 21 b. The impact of long-term soil and water practices on  
14 22 surface water runoff using plot-scale measurements by  
14 23 addressing how tillage practices impact surface water runoff  
14 24 under a range of natural precipitation patterns and whether  
14 25 reduced tillage practices reduce volumes and rates of surface  
14 26 water runoff.

14 27 c. The impact of buffers and complete conversion of crop  
14 28 land to perennial vegetation on surface water runoff using  
14 29 hill-slope scale measurements.

14 30 d. The drainage impacts on surface water runoff on  
14 31 field-scale areas, including the impact of subsurface drainage  
14 32 on surface runoff using small field-scale areas under drained  
14 33 versus undrained conditions.

14 34 e. The impact of various drainage system designs on the  
14 35 contribution of surface water runoff and subsurface water  
14 36 drainage to total water flow from the drainage district.

15 1 2. The department shall submit a report to the governor  
15 2 and the general assembly which includes a summary of its  
15 3 methodology, the findings of the study, and any  
15 4 recommendations, by January 15, 2011.

15 5 Sec. 13. FINANCIAL INCENTIVES TO IMPROVE WATERSHED  
15 6 STRUCTURES. There is appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund  
15 7 created in section 8.57D to the department of agriculture and  
15 8 land stewardship for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009,  
15 9 and ending June 30, 2010, the following amount, or so much  
15 10 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
15 11 designated:

15 12 For providing financial incentives to landowners to  
15 13 increase the design capacity of conservation structures, such  
15 14 as terraces, water control basins, and grade structures, and  
15 15 including salaries, support, maintenance, and miscellaneous  
15 16 purposes:

15 17 ..... \$ 1,500,000

15 18 1. The moneys appropriated by this section shall be  
15 19 allocated to soil and water conservation districts as  
15 20 determined by the department. A district's award of financial  
15 21 incentives to a landowner shall be made on a cost-share basis  
15 22 in the same manner as an award of financial incentives to  
15 23 support the voluntary establishment of soil and water  
15 24 conservation practices as provided in section 161A.73. A  
15 25 district shall award financial incentives to support  
15 26 communities which are presented with the most immediate threat  
15 27 from an excessive precipitation event.

15 28 2. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
15 29 this section to the department of agriculture and land  
15 30 stewardship that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
15 31 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
15 32 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until  
15 33 the close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012.

15 34 Sec. 14. EMERGENCY RESTORATION OF SOIL AND WATER  
16 1 CONSERVATION PRACTICES NOT COVERED BY FEDERAL OPERATION AND  
16 2 MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS. There is appropriated from the  
16 3 rebuild Iowa fund created in section 8.57D to the department  
16 4 of agriculture and land stewardship for the fiscal year  
16 5 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the  
16 6 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
16 7 used for the purposes designated:

16 7 1. For the restoration of permanent soil and water  
16 8 conservation practices in order to prevent future erosion, in  
16 9 excess of the applicable soil loss limits, caused by the  
16 10 disaster emergency associated with the 2008 precipitation  
16 11 event:  
16 12 ..... \$ 6,000,000  
16 13 2. The moneys appropriated in this section shall be used  
16 14 to provide one-time financing on a cost-share basis as  
16 15 provided in chapter 161A, division V, part 2, to assist  
16 16 landowners to reconstruct or repair soil and water  
16 17 conservation practices which were constructed or maintained  
16 18 under an operation and maintenance agreement executed with the  
16 19 United States department of agriculture pursuant to 7 C.F.R.  
16 20 pt. 654, if the landowners are not eligible to finance the  
16 21 restoration under that agreement.  
16 22 3. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
16 23 this section to the department of agriculture and land  
16 24 stewardship that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the  
16 25 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain  
16 26 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until  
16 27 the close of the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2012.

16 28 DIVISION IV

16 29 EXPENDITURES FOR MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING PROJECTS

16 30 Sec. 15. MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING PROJECTS. There is  
16 31 appropriated from the rebuild Iowa fund created in section  
16 32 8.57D to the Iowa finance authority for the fiscal year  
16 33 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the  
16 34 following amount, or so much thereof as is necessary, to be  
16 35 used for the purposes designated:

17 1 For providing grants to cities or counties for multi-family  
17 2 residential housing:

17 3 ..... \$ 9,500,000

17 4 1. The authority shall use the moneys appropriated  
17 5 pursuant to this section to support the construction,  
17 6 reconstruction, or rehabilitation of buildings and associated  
17 7 structures or landscaping associated with multi-family  
17 8 residences not occupied by its titleholder, if there is a  
17 9 shortage of such available housing in a county subject to the  
17 10 presidential disaster declaration DR=1763=IA occurring after  
17 11 May 24, 2008, and before August 14, 2008.

17 12 2. The authority shall award a grant provided in this  
17 13 section to a city or county on a cost-share basis with the  
17 14 division contributing seventy percent of the project's cost.  
17 15 A city or county shall not use moneys appropriated by the  
17 16 state in order to satisfy its thirty percent cost-share  
17 17 contribution.

17 18 3. A city or county shall apply to the authority to be  
17 19 awarded a grant in a manner and according to procedures  
17 20 required by the authority. When approving the application,  
17 21 the authority may approve all or part of the requested award.

17 22 4. A city or county shall not be awarded a grant under  
17 23 this section, if the county or city has received a grant for  
17 24 the same project under a different section of this Act, unless  
17 25 moneys are available under this section to support awards for  
17 26 all qualified projects.

17 27 5. The general assembly intends that moneys appropriated  
17 28 to the division under this section support as many qualified  
17 29 projects as possible.

17 30 6. The authority may cooperate with interested federal,  
17 31 state, and local agencies or private organizations in  
17 32 administering a project.

17 33 7. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in  
17 34 this section to the authority that remain unencumbered or  
17 35 unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert  
18 1 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes  
18 2 designated until the close of the fiscal year beginning July  
18 3 1, 2011.

18 4 DIVISION V

18 5 IOWA FLOOD CENTER

18 6 Sec. 16. Section 466B.3, subsection 6, paragraph b,  
18 7 subparagraph (7), Code 2009, is amended by striking the  
18 8 subparagraph.

18 9 Sec. 17. Section 466B.9, Code 2009, is amended to read as  
18 10 follows:

18 11 466B.9 RULEMAKING AUTHORITY.

18 12 The department and the department of agriculture and land  
18 13 stewardship shall have the power and authority reasonably  
18 14 necessary to carry out the duties imposed by this chapter. ~~As~~  
~~18 15 to the department, this includes rulemaking authority to carry~~  
~~18 16 out the regional watershed assessment program described in~~  
~~18 17 section 466B.5. As to the department of agriculture and land~~



~~18 18 stewardship, this includes rulemaking authority to assist in~~  
~~18 19 the implementation of community-based subwatershed improvement~~  
~~18 20 plans.~~

18 21 Sec. 18. NEW SECTION. 466C.1 DEFINITIONS.

18 22 For purposes of this chapter, unless the context otherwise  
18 23 requires:

- 18 24 1. "Center" means the Iowa flood center established  
18 25 pursuant to section 466C.2.
- 18 26 2. "Council" means the water resources coordinating  
18 27 council established in section 466B.3.
- 18 28 3. "Regional watershed" means the watershed of hydrologic  
18 29 unit code scale 8.
- 18 30 4. "Subwatershed" means a watershed of hydrologic unit  
18 31 code scale 12 or smaller.
- 18 32 5. "Watershed" means a geographic area in which surface  
18 33 water is drained by rivers, streams, or other bodies of water.

18 34 Sec. 19. NEW SECTION. 466C.2 IOWA FLOOD CENTER.

18 35 1. The state board of regents shall establish and maintain  
19 1 in Iowa City as a part of the state university of Iowa an Iowa  
19 2 flood center. In conducting the activities of this chapter,  
19 3 the center shall work cooperatively with the department of  
19 4 natural resources, the department of agriculture and land  
19 5 stewardship, the water resources coordinating council, and  
19 6 other state and federal agencies.

19 7 2. The Iowa flood center shall have all of the following  
19 8 purposes:

- 19 9 a. To develop hydrologic models for physically-based flood  
19 10 frequency estimation and real-time forecasting of floods,  
19 11 including hydraulic models of floodplain inundation mapping.
- 19 12 b. To establish community-based programs to improve flood  
19 13 monitoring and prediction along Iowa's major waterways and to  
19 14 support ongoing flood research.
- 19 15 c. To share resources and expertise of the Iowa flood  
19 16 center.
- 19 17 d. To assist in the development of a workforce in the  
19 18 state knowledgeable regarding flood research, prediction, and  
19 19 mitigation strategies.
- 19 20 e. To conduct the activities required by this chapter in  
19 21 cooperation with various state and federal agencies.

19 22 Sec. 20. NEW SECTION. 466C.3 REGIONAL WATERSHED

19 23 ASSESSMENT, PLANNING, AND PRIORITIZATION.

19 24 1. The center shall create a regional watershed assessment  
19 25 program. The program shall assess all the regional watersheds  
19 26 in the state.

19 27 a. Under the program, a statewide assessment shall be  
19 28 conducted at the rate of approximately one-third of the  
19 29 watersheds in the state per year, and an initial statewide  
19 30 assessment shall be completed within three years. Thereafter,  
19 31 the center shall review and update the assessments on a  
19 32 regular basis.

19 33 b. Each regional watershed assessment shall provide a  
19 34 summary of the overall condition of the watershed. The  
19 35 information provided in the summary may include land use  
20 1 patterns, soil types, slopes, management practices, stream  
20 2 conditions, and both point and nonpoint source impairments.

20 3 c. In conducting regional watershed assessments, the  
20 4 center may identify and facilitate local data collection to  
20 5 support the assessment process.

20 6 2. In conducting the regional watershed assessment  
20 7 program, the center shall provide hydrologic and geologic  
20 8 information sufficient for the council to prioritize  
20 9 watersheds statewide and for the various communities in those  
20 10 watersheds to plan remedial efforts in their local communities  
20 11 and subwatersheds.

20 12 3. Upon completion of the initial statewide assessment,  
20 13 and upon subsequent assessment updates, the center shall  
20 14 report the results of the assessment, and any updates, to the  
20 15 council and the general assembly, and shall make the report  
20 16 available to the public.

20 17 Sec. 21. NEW SECTION. 466C.4 COMMUNITY-BASED  
20 18 SUBWATERSHED IMPROVEMENT PLANS.

20 19 1. After the center's completion of the initial regional  
20 20 watershed assessment, and after the council's prioritization  
20 21 of the regional watersheds, the council shall initiate the  
20 22 organization of an interagency integrated water resources  
20 23 committee to facilitate the development and implementation of  
20 24 local, community-based subwatershed improvement plans.

20 25 2. In facilitating the development of community-based  
20 26 subwatershed improvement plans, the interagency integrated  
20 27 water resources committee shall, based on the results of the  
20 28 regional watershed assessment program, identify critical

20 29 subwatersheds within priority regional watersheds and recruit  
20 30 communities, citizen groups, local governmental entities, or  
20 31 other stakeholders to engage in the assessment, planning,  
20 32 prioritization, and implementation of a local community-based  
20 33 subwatershed improvement plan. The interagency integrated  
20 34 water resources committee may assist in the formation of a  
20 35 group of initial local community-based subwatershed  
21 1 improvement plans that can be implemented as pilot projects,  
21 2 in order to develop an effective process that can be  
21 3 replicated across the state.

21 4 Sec. 22. NEW SECTION. 466C.5 COMMUNITY-BASED  
21 5 SUBWATERSHED MONITORING.

21 6 1. After completion of the statewide regional watershed  
21 7 assessment and prioritization, and throughout the  
21 8 implementation of local community-based subwatershed  
21 9 improvement plans, the center shall assist communities with  
21 10 the monitoring and measurement of local subwatersheds. The  
21 11 monitoring and measurement shall be designed for the  
21 12 particular needs of individual communities while considering  
21 13 statewide watershed issues.

21 14 2. Local communities in which the center conducts  
21 15 subwatershed monitoring shall use the information to support  
21 16 subwatershed planning activities, guide supplemental local  
21 17 data collection efforts, and identify priority areas needing  
21 18 additional resources. Local communities shall collect data  
21 19 over time and use the data to evaluate the impacts of their  
21 20 management efforts. Data collected, as directed by  
21 21 interagency integrated water resources committees, shall be  
21 22 integrated into a digital regional watershed framework in  
21 23 real-time, or near real-time, by the center for use in  
21 24 assessment and planning by all the communities in the  
21 25 watershed. The center shall integrate digital regional  
21 26 watershed information into a digital statewide framework for  
21 27 assessment and planning for state water resources planning.

21 28 Sec. 23. NEW SECTION. 466C.6 DEVELOPMENT OF ADVANCED  
21 29 NUMERICAL TOOLS FOR WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT.

21 30 1. After completion of the statewide regional watershed  
21 31 assessment and prioritization, the center shall develop and  
21 32 implement physically based hydrologic models to improve  
21 33 watershed and community scale flood prediction and mitigation  
21 34 planning.

21 35 a. Physically based hydrologic models shall be used to  
22 1 improve understanding of frequency of flood occurrence within  
22 2 the state and to guide risk-based flood mitigation planning.

22 3 b. Physically based hydrologic models shall be used in  
22 4 conjunction with hydrologic sensor networks to provide  
22 5 real-time river discharge forecasts to aid communities in  
22 6 implementing flood response plans.

22 7 2. The center shall produce flood inundation maps relating  
22 8 the spatial extent of flooding to predicted stream flows.

22 9 a. The center shall perform hydrodynamic simulations of  
22 10 river flow to create detailed water surface profiles for use  
22 11 in developing high-resolution flood inundation maps. A  
22 12 library of inundation maps including but not limited to the  
22 13 one hundred year and five hundred year recurrence intervals  
22 14 shall be developed and made available along all rivers and  
22 15 streams within each watershed. In addition to the static  
22 16 library of flood inundation maps, the center shall provide  
22 17 real-time forecasted flood inundation maps during the threat  
22 18 of severe flooding for imperiled communities.

22 19 b. Flood inundation maps shall be stored in a geospatial  
22 20 database and publicly distributed through web-based  
22 21 applications.

22 22 Sec. 24. NEW SECTION. 466C.7 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND  
22 23 TRAINING.

22 24 1. The center shall implement statewide programs to  
22 25 educate Iowans on water quality, best management practices,  
22 26 and flood risk and mitigation.

22 27 2. The center shall provide technical training through  
22 28 regional workshops and short courses to water resources  
22 29 professionals in state agencies, city and county  
22 30 administrators, and private companies. Training shall focus  
22 31 on application of hydrologic and water quality monitoring and  
22 32 forecasting technologies.

22 33 Sec. 25. IOWA FLOOD CENTER. There is appropriated from  
22 34 the rebuild Iowa fund created in section 8.57D to the  
22 35 university of Iowa for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009,  
23 1 and ending June 30, 2010, the following amount, or so much  
23 2 thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes  
23 3 designated:

23 4 For use by the university's college of engineering to

23 5 establish and administer an Iowa flood center as provided in  
23 6 this division:  
23 7 ..... \$ 1,300,000

23 8 DIVISION VI  
23 9 FLOODPLAIN MAPPING

23 10 Sec. 26. LIDAR BASED MAPPING. There is appropriated from  
23 11 the rebuild Iowa fund created in section 8.57D to the  
23 12 department of natural resources for the fiscal year beginning  
23 13 July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2010, the following amount,  
23 14 or so much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the  
23 15 purposes designated:

23 16 For purposes of developing floodplain maps for the entire  
23 17 state from light detection and ranging (LIDAR) topographic  
23 18 data, including salaries, support, maintenance, and  
23 19 miscellaneous purposes:

23 20 ..... \$ 1,000,000

23 21 Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in this  
23 22 section to the department that remain unencumbered and  
23 23 unobligated at the close of the fiscal year shall not revert  
23 24 but shall remain available for expenditure for the purposes  
23 25 designated until the close of the fiscal year beginning July  
23 26 1, 2011.

23 27 DIVISION VII  
23 28 REPORTS

23 29 Sec. 27. REPORT. The homeland security and emergency  
23 30 management division of the department of public defense, the  
23 31 department of agriculture and land stewardship, the Iowa  
23 32 finance authority, and the department of natural resources  
23 33 shall each provide a report to the general assembly not later  
23 34 than January 11, 2010. The report shall include a description  
23 35 of projects supported under this Act, moneys expended or  
24 1 obligated under this Act, and the status of pending  
24 2 applications and uncompleted projects.

24 3 DIVISION VIII  
24 4 LANDFILL CLOSING

24 5 Sec. 28. LANDFILL CLOSING. The department of natural  
24 6 resources' permit No. 3 extending the approval to place flood  
24 7 debris in the unlined areas of a sanitary landfill in Des  
24 8 Moines county through March 30, 2009, shall be extended by the  
24 9 department to September 30, 2009.

24 10 DIVISION IX

24 11 Sec. 29. COMPROMISE OR ABATEMENT OF PENALTIES, INTEREST,  
24 12 FEES, AND COSTS IN CERTAIN DISASTER AREAS.

24 13 1. The county board of supervisors may compromise by  
24 14 written agreement or abate by resolution the penalties,  
24 15 interest, or fees, and any costs incurred by the county,  
24 16 relating to delinquent property taxes on real property located  
24 17 within a county or portion of a county that was declared a  
24 18 disaster area by the governor or a federal official on or  
24 19 after May 1, 2008, and before September 1, 2008. The amount  
24 20 of interest subject to compromise or abatement is the amount  
24 21 incurred under section 445.39.

24 22 2. If a parcel of property described in subsection 1 is  
24 23 sold at tax sale, the board of supervisors shall include on  
24 24 the notice provided pursuant to section 446.9, subsection 1, a  
24 25 statement informing the party in whose name the parcel was  
24 26 taxed of the board of supervisors' compromise and abatement  
24 27 authority under this section. This section shall not relieve  
24 28 a purchaser at tax sale from paying the total amount due as  
24 29 required by section 446.16.

24 30 3. If a parcel of property described in subsection 1 is  
24 31 sold at tax sale and the right of redemption is exercised  
24 32 under chapter 447, the board of supervisors may compromise by  
24 33 written agreement or abate by resolution the penalties,  
24 34 interest, or fees, and any costs owing on the property.  
24 35 However, the board of supervisors' authority under this  
25 1 subsection shall not include interest owed under section 447.1  
25 2 to a tax sale certificate holder who is not a city or the  
25 3 county.

25 4 4. This section shall apply to taxes due and payable for  
25 5 the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and the fiscal year  
25 6 beginning July 1, 2009.

25 7 Sec. 30. EFFECTIVE AND APPLICABILITY DATES. This division  
25 8 of this Act, being deemed of immediate importance, takes  
25 9 effect upon enactment and applies retroactively to July 1,  
25 10 2008.

25 11 EXPLANATION

25 12 This bill creates projects and establishes programs, abates  
25 13 costs associated with property tax payments, and makes  
25 14 appropriations to provide relief to persons and property  
25 15 affected by natural disaster or to prevent or mitigate the

25 16 effects of a future natural disaster.

25 17 DIVISION I == REBUILD IOWA FUND AND APPROPRIATIONS. The  
25 18 bill creates a temporary rebuild Iowa fund under the authority  
25 19 of the department of public defense for use by the homeland  
25 20 security and emergency management division. The fund is  
25 21 supported by appropriations made from two sources: (1) the  
25 22 Iowa economic emergency fund (Code section 8.55) and (2) the  
25 23 cash reserve fund (Code section 8.56).

25 24 DIVISION II == EXPENDITURES FOR PUBLIC AND PRIVATE  
25 25 INFRASTRUCTURE. The bill provides for a number of public or  
25 26 private infrastructure projects affected by natural disaster  
25 27 or to prevent or mitigate the effects of a future natural  
25 28 disaster, in those counties subject to the presidential  
25 29 disaster declaration DR=1763=IA occurring after May 24, 2008,  
25 30 and before August 14, 2008. The projects are administered by  
25 31 the homeland security and emergency management division and  
25 32 supported by the rebuild Iowa fund and are for grants to  
25 33 counties or cities with a requirement that state contributions  
25 34 be matched 30 percent. These include flood aversion projects;  
25 35 storm water drainage system projects; cultural and historical  
26 1 projects; single-family residential property acquisition  
26 2 projects; parks, green spaces, and recreational areas  
26 3 projects; day care relocation projects; and nonprofit  
26 4 entities' restoration and relocation projects. The bill also  
26 5 provides an appropriation from the rebuild Iowa fund to  
26 6 support a grant to a human resources assistance directory  
26 7 project.

26 8 DIVISION III == EXPENDITURES FOR LONG-TERM SOIL AND WATER  
26 9 MANAGEMENT PRACTICES. The bill supports a number of soil and  
26 10 water conservation practices administered by the department of  
26 11 agriculture and land stewardship from moneys appropriated from  
26 12 the rebuild Iowa fund. Moneys are appropriated for a two-year  
26 13 study to determine the impact of agricultural land management  
26 14 practices on hydrology. Financial incentives are provided to  
26 15 soil and water conservation districts to allow landowners to  
26 16 increase the design capacity of conservation structures, and  
26 17 are provided to landowners for the restoration of permanent  
26 18 soil and water conservation practices caused by the 2008  
26 19 rains. The financial incentives are awarded to landowners on  
26 20 a cost-share basis, with the landowner contributing 50  
26 21 percent.

26 22 DIVISION IV == EXPENDITURES FOR MULTI-FAMILY HOUSING  
26 23 PROJECTS. The bill provides for multi-family housing projects  
26 24 supported from the rebuild Iowa fund and administered by the  
26 25 Iowa finance authority, including by providing for the  
26 26 construction, reconstruction, or rehabilitation of buildings  
26 27 and associated structures or landscaping associated with  
26 28 multi-family residences which were damaged by natural  
26 29 disaster.

26 30 DIVISION V == IOWA FLOOD CENTER. The bill creates an Iowa  
26 31 flood center and allocates duties between the Iowa flood  
26 32 center and the water resources coordinating council.

26 33 The bill requires the state board of regents to establish  
26 34 and maintain in Iowa City as a part of the state university of  
26 35 Iowa an Iowa flood center. The bill provides that the Iowa  
27 1 flood center shall develop hydrologic models for physically  
27 2 based flood frequency estimation and real-time forecasting of  
27 3 floods, including hydraulic models of floodplain inundation  
27 4 mapping, establish community-based programs to improve flood  
27 5 monitoring and prediction along Iowa's major waterways and to  
27 6 support ongoing flood research, share resources and expertise  
27 7 of the Iowa flood center, and assist in the development of a  
27 8 workforce in the state knowledgeable regarding flood research,  
27 9 prediction, and mitigation strategies.

27 10 Currently, the department of natural resources and the  
27 11 water resources coordinating council are responsible for  
27 12 regional watershed assessment, planning, and prioritization;  
27 13 community-based subwatershed improvement plans; and  
27 14 community-based subwatershed monitoring. The bill moves many  
27 15 of these duties to the Iowa flood center with some  
27 16 modifications.

27 17 The bill requires the center to create a regional watershed  
27 18 assessment program. The program shall assess all the regional  
27 19 watersheds in the state. Under the program, a statewide  
27 20 assessment shall be conducted at the rate of approximately  
27 21 one-third of the watersheds per year, and shall be completed  
27 22 within three years. The bill provides that, in conducting the  
27 23 regional watershed assessment program, the center shall  
27 24 provide hydrologic and geologic information sufficient for the  
27 25 water resources coordinating council to prioritize watersheds  
27 26 statewide and for the various communities in those watersheds

27 27 to plan remedial efforts in their local communities and  
27 28 subwatersheds. The bill requires the center to report the  
27 29 results of the assessment to the council and the general  
27 30 assembly, and to make the report available to the public.

27 31 The bill provides that, after the center's completion of  
27 32 the initial regional watershed assessment, and after the  
27 33 council's prioritization of the regional watersheds, the  
27 34 council shall initiate the organization of an interagency  
27 35 integrated water resources committee to facilitate the  
28 1 development and implementation of local, community-based  
28 2 subwatershed improvement plans. The bill provides that, in  
28 3 facilitating the development of community-based subwatershed  
28 4 improvement plans, the interagency integrated water resources  
28 5 committee shall, based on the results of the regional  
28 6 watershed assessment program, identify critical subwatersheds  
28 7 within priority regional watersheds and recruit communities,  
28 8 citizen groups, local governmental entities, or other  
28 9 stakeholders to engage in the assessment, planning,  
28 10 prioritization, and implementation of a local community-based  
28 11 subwatershed improvement plan.

28 12 The bill provides that, after completion of the statewide  
28 13 regional watershed assessment and prioritization, and  
28 14 throughout the implementation of local community-based  
28 15 subwatershed improvement plans, the center shall assist  
28 16 communities with the monitoring and measurement of local  
28 17 subwatersheds. The bill provides that local communities in  
28 18 which the center conducts subwatershed monitoring shall use  
28 19 the information to support subwatershed planning activities,  
28 20 guide supplemental local data collection efforts, and identify  
28 21 priority areas needing additional resources.

28 22 The bill provides that, after completion of the statewide  
28 23 regional watershed assessment and prioritization, the center  
28 24 shall develop and implement physically based hydrologic models  
28 25 to improve watershed and community scale flood prediction and  
28 26 mitigation planning. The bill requires the center to produce  
28 27 flood inundation maps relating the spatial extent of flooding  
28 28 to predicted stream flows.

28 29 The bill requires the center to implement statewide  
28 30 programs to educate Iowans on water quality, best management  
28 31 practices, and flood risk and mitigation. The bill requires  
28 32 the center to provide technical training through regional  
28 33 workshops and short courses to water resources professionals  
28 34 in state agencies, city and county administrators, and private  
28 35 companies.

29 1 The bill appropriates moneys for the 2009=2010 fiscal year  
29 2 from the rebuild Iowa fund to the university of Iowa for use  
29 3 in creating the center.

29 4 DIVISION VI == LIDAR BASED MAPPING. The bill appropriates  
29 5 moneys from the rebuild Iowa fund to the department of natural  
29 6 resources for purposes of developing floodplain maps for the  
29 7 entire state from light detection and ranging (LIDAR)  
29 8 topographic data.

29 9 DIVISION VII == REPORTS. The bill requires the agencies  
29 10 appropriated moneys to submit reports to the general assembly  
29 11 not later than January 11, 2010, regarding supported projects  
29 12 described in the bill.

29 13 DIVISION VIII == LANDFILL CLOSING. The bill requires the  
29 14 department of natural resources to extend a permit allowing a  
29 15 landfill in Des Moines county to accept flood debris.

29 16 DIVISION IX == COMPROMISE OR ABATEMENT OF PENALTIES,  
29 17 INTEREST, FEES, AND COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH PROPERTY TAXES. The  
29 18 bill authorizes a county board of supervisors to compromise by  
29 19 written agreement or abate by resolution the penalties,  
29 20 interest, or fees, and any costs incurred by the county,  
29 21 relating to delinquent property taxes on real property located  
29 22 within a county or portion of a county declared a disaster  
29 23 area by the governor or a federal official between May 1,  
29 24 2008, and September 1, 2008.

29 25 The bill provides that the board of supervisors' authority  
29 26 to compromise or abate interest does not include the interest  
29 27 owed under Code section 447.1 to a tax sale certificate holder  
29 28 who is not a city or the county. The bill requires the notice  
29 29 of tax sale to include a statement informing the taxpayer of  
29 30 the board of supervisors' compromise and abatement authority.  
29 31 However, the bill does not relieve a purchaser at tax sale  
29 32 from paying the total amount due.

29 33 The division of the bill applies to taxes due and payable  
29 34 for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2008, and the fiscal  
29 35 year beginning July 1, 2009.

30 1 The division of the bill takes effect upon enactment and  
30 2 applies retroactively to July 1, 2008.

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